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I. O. O. F.
Troy Lodge No. 681. I. O. O. F. meets every Saturday night at their hall in the Withrow block. Visiting members invited to attend.
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WILL H. YOUNG, W. M.
CHAS. MARTIN, JR., Sec'y.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

The season of lent begins to-day.

The February term of the county court commenced last Monday.

The days are being spliced a little at both ends. Old Sol gets up earlier and goes to bed later.

There will be a free vocal concert given at New Liberty church, four miles west of Millwood, on Friday evening, the 19th inst.

Rev. Stephen Hull (Universalist) will preach in Troy next Friday and Saturday evening; and at the Howell school house, four miles west of here, the following (Sunday) morning and evening.

Next Sunday is St. Valentine's day, and it may be well for our anonymous and bashful lovers to mail their effusions and emblems on Saturday, so that their fair ones can ponder over them during service next morning.

One day last week as Mr. R. P. White was moving his household goods, the horses attached to the wagon in which they were being hauled, ran away, tearing the wagon to pieces, and breaking up a large amount of the furniture.

BOY FRIENDS.—One day last week three little boys, their ages ranging from nine to twelve years, caught a cat, and pouring turpentine over it, set fire to the poor animal and turned it loose. Such cruelty shows a moral depravity that we did not believe any boy in our midst possessed, and which, if not restrained by the parents of the little demons, may result in the deepest degradation to the boys, and sorrow to them in their old age.

Read the advertisement of B. S. Crews & Co., who are at Lyott's old stand with everything in the hardware line you may wish, from a needle to a cultivator or threshing machine. His stock of tinware is as bright as a silver dollar (if anybody remembers how bright that is), and the store will always be well supplied in this line. You will find the new firm a pleasant one to deal with.

The communication of Observer should be read carefully. The writer is closely connected with the coal company, which looks more favorably upon this than any other point as an outlet for their coal, and if we secure the completion of our road, which the township subscription will do, we may expect a branch road from here to the coal mines. Otherwise, the company will have to look to some point on the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern railway.

OUR REVENUE RESOURCES.

The Assessed Valuation of Property in Lincoln County for 1875.

The first table of figures following shows the number of horses, cattle, etc., assessed for the present and past five years; and following that the valuation of stock, other personal property and real estate, since 1872. It will be observed that there is a falling off in hogs since the assessment was taken for 1874 of 2,906 head, but in other stock there has been a small increase. The valuation of stock and other personal property, however, is less than for two or three preceding years, while real estate has been placed at a figure a fraction higher, but not enough to make any perceptible difference in the taxes thereon:

	1870	1871	1872	1873	1874	1875
Horses,	5593	6080	5413	6388	6492	6745
Mules,	1173	980	1100	1278	1291	1363
Cattle,	11548	12436	12438	13457	14382	14376
Sheep,	22641	15588	12712	12000	10825	11864
Hogs,	10001	28634	38311	42924	34089	31183
VALUATION.						
Stock,	\$650354	\$288390	\$48420	\$62140	\$62140	\$62140
Per. prop'y,	401012	546120	626710	517320		
Real estate,	2611140	2603650	2603650	2603650		
Total,	\$3722506	\$4083660	\$4011870	\$3900500		

The following tables show the number of acres of land assessed in the county, east and west, in each congressional township, and the valuation thereof, together with the town lots:

REAL ESTATE WEST.			
	Acres.		Value.
Tp. 48, 1 west,	22,265.81		\$164,000
" " 2 "	12,037.33		102,500
" " 3 "	24,238.90		202,350
" " 4 "	22,155.92		150,020
" " 5 "	10,298.55		61,300
" " 6 "	21,384.38		187,230
" " 7 "	25,501.55		198,380
" " 8 "	15,030.10		126,870
" " 9 "	24,432.65		170,030
" " 10 "	25,185.31		156,310
Total West,	202,370.10		\$1,412,180

TOWN LOTS WEST.			
	No. of Lots.		Value.
Troy,	808		\$12,250
Truxton,	70		9870
Auburn,	48		3300
Millwood,	65		5740
Louisville,	91		7530
Total,	681		\$32,880

REAL ESTATE EAST.			
	Acres.		Value.
Tp. 48, 1 east,	10084.00		\$18,800
Tp. 48, 2 & 3 e.	10248.31		\$17,200
Tp. 49, 1 e.	22,222.00		110,980
Tp. 49, 2 & 3 e.	31000.83		161,970
Tp. 50, 1 e.	22,365.10		101,860
Tp. 50, 2 & 3 e.	27,005.83		102,070
Tp. 51, 1 e.	23,644.02		232,330
Tp. 51, 2 & 3 e.	25,580.08		135,700
Total east,	100,560.52		\$1,323,200

TOWN LOTS EAST.			
	No. of Lots.		Value.
Moneow,	150		\$3000
Chain of Rocks,	280		10780
Chantilly,	20		450
Wlot,	60		2780
Drydenville,	10		1600
New Hope,	170		13650
Falmouth,	51		2940
Total,	730		\$31,060

AGGREGATE VALUATION OF PROPERTY.
Total val. of real estate east \$289,840
" " " west 154,090
" " of personal prop. 1100,560
Aggregate, \$3,000,500

TAX BOOK, 1875.			
			Value.
Average value of horses			\$40.21
" " cattle			45.08
" " hogs			11.64
" " per acre			6.06
Town lots east			45.00
" " west			187.68

Some of our citizens haven't as much confidence in railroad companies as the Mohammedans have in the Koran. After reading the conditions governing the proposed township subscription for the machine shops, which declare that the bonds shall be null and void if the road is not finished to this place and the first building of the machine shops erected by the 1st of October next, one old gentleman remarked that "it sounded all right on paper, but he believed there was some catch in it, anyway."

List of letters remaining at the post office at Troy on the 1st inst. If not called for in thirty days they will be sent to the dead letter office:

Allen, J. W.	Leonard, Mrs. N.
Adams, Wm.	Myers, Willie.
Crouch, A.	Powell, W. J.
Cole, Levi.	Rose, W. B.
Dowell, Wm.	Roberts, E. J.
Green, Robt. T.	Smith, J. H.
Humphreys, J.	Schemm, Jno.
Hoelcomb, F. M.	Wias, Frank.
Keatts, J. T.	Williams, G. W.

Save all your cotton rags and old iron and trade them to Crews & Co. for tin buckets, coffee pots, or anything you want in tinware.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

A Good Sermon.

Editors Herald: I had the pleasure of listening to a sermon on last Sabbath, preached by the Rev. Mr. Wilkie. His text was taken from the 13th verse, 30th chapter, of first Samuel. The subject was handled in a purely christian spirit. I could not help wishing that every parent and child of our little town could be present, that they all might profit by it. It was an able discourse upon the training of children, the duty of the parent to the child, and the child to the parent. He spoke with much feeling upon the awful results of idleness; and also discussed the saying that some parents make use of, without thinking of the terrible consequences, "that all children must sow their wild oats;" they little think of the blighted harvest. I wish the sermon could be published in your paper, that it might be read in every family. The sermon was not *Man's Creed*, but very earnest preaching of the gospel.

Coal Mines and Railroad.

Editors Herald: A recent survey by Surveyor Wilson of Lincoln county, under the auspices of the Lincoln county coal and mining company, state of Missouri, noting the elevations on the route for a proposed railroad, from what is known as the Link shaft to Troy, has been made as far as the summit or open prairie, showing conclusively that a railroad with favorable grade and cheap construction can be built from said point to Troy. The only question as to the route being practical, was on that portion of the line between the valley of Coon creek and the open prairie. This point now being settled, the building of a branch road from the mines to Troy may hinge on an early completion of the road from Troy to the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern railway.

The coal company are making careful and thorough investigation of the points that will insure to their best interest in securing a connection with some railroad at an early day, with a view to an outlet for their large deposits of gas, coking, cannel and other grades of bituminous coal. Trial lots of the coal will soon be placed in the hands of competent parties for actual tests, for its adaptation to the various requirements of the trade and its comparative properties for appliances and practical working. Repairs are going forward at the mines with a view to continued developments of the extent and quality of the coal, as well as other and important improvements upon the company's property, in the repairs and erection of suitable tenement houses, fencing, &c. Several hundred acres of open prairie are being enclosed with substantial fences and will be in cultivation the present or coming season. With a branch road from the road above named, or to the St. Louis, Hannibal & Keokuk road, connecting at Troy, not only the lands of the coal company, but a large area of the finest agricultural lands of Lincoln county, will be greatly benefitted with the facilities of railroad to move their products, and in returning to them those appliances and implements indispensably requisite to thrift, rapid growth and convenience of the husbandman.

I now come to the point of considering the proposition recently published in your paper upon the question of local aid for the completion of the St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk railroad, passing through your place and centering at St. Louis. That an early completion of the road is much desired by the citizens of Troy and Lincoln county is conceded, and the decision as to further local aid by the people will soon be determined. Upon this issue, which the electors through their votes in your village and township are soon to decide, may depend the future success and growth of your village and county seat, as well as the securing of the branch road completed to your place at an early

day, and other resources that will materially aid in the discharge of incurred liability in common with other taxpayers of your county; a point worthy of the most careful and deliberate consideration of every elector of Bedford township.

Others also not embraced within this geographical line, equally interested in this question, not as electors, but as parties to be benefitted by the common advantage arising from the early completion of the road, may do well to aid by their influence and contributions to secure the completion of the Troy road, and a branch road to the mines, at an early day.

AN OBSERVER.

Business Review of Falmouth.

FALMOUTH, Mo., Jan. 28.

Editors Herald: After no little trouble and delay, according to promise, we have at last succeeded in giving you a report of the commission and shipping done at our little port during the year 1874. Although small in size, it shows that we are not far behind, in the point of shipping, especially in grain, some cities considered of far more importance. The following is the amount done by each house:

Ellsberry & Wigginton, agents Kekuk Northern Line Packet Co.:
Sacks wheat, 31,546
Hogheads tobacco, 80
Barrels apples, 1,000
Packages merchandise, 505
Head cattle, 860
Head hogs, 2,100
Head sheep, 410
Bacon, pounds, 12,000
Loop poles, thousands, 5,000

Shipments by M. W. Wilkinson:
Sacks wheat, 6,344
Hogheads tobacco, 34
Barrels apples, 627
Packages merchandise, 117
Head cattle, 76
Head hogs, 423
Bacon, pounds, 1,500
Staves, thousands, 14,800
Loop poles, " 10,800

Nelson & Wilson's shipments:
Sacks wheat, 18,698
Hogheads tobacco, 58
Packages merchandise, 400
Barrels apples, 200
Head cattle, 200
Head hogs, 1,460
Head sheep, 240
Bacon, pounds, 7,200

The above is a true report of all shipments, except that of stock. We have no way of determining the amount of stock shipped, as it to a great extent is shipped by the owners.

Having no egress in the winter it works greatly to our disadvantage. Our shipments are all made principally within six months—three months of the time frozen and three months mud and water, with no roads, which we need badly, and only six months to do the amount of business done. But we are looking forward to the early completion of the M. V. & W. R. (although some say nix) and then we will put our little port on wheels and gladly locate her at the proposed town of Gibraltar on said railroad. More anon.

SHIPPER.

AN OLD EQUITY CASE DECIDED.—The *Mariboro' (Maryland) Gazette*, of the 27th ult., says: Cause 68, in Equity, entered in 1853, in which the heirs of Francis H. Clements are respondents, came up by consent yesterday and a decree made confirming the title of the real estate in dispute to the complainants, (Dr. J. A. Mudd, of Troy, Mo., who has been for some weeks in this county working up the matter, and Miss Emma Clements, of Washington city.)—This property is known as "Strife" and "Girl's Delight." It lies in Piscataway district, and in the life time of the late F. H. Clements was one of the finest estates on the Mattawoman.

Some persons unfriendly to the machine shop appropriation, base their opposition on the ground that the payment of taxes levied against railroads cannot be enforced. To all such we would say that the legislature has provided for that. A bill has passed that body, providing that no property of railroad companies shall be exempt from seizure and that the collector shall have authority to make such seizure and sale.

SPECIAL ELECTION IN BEDFORD TOWNSHIP.

A special election will be held at the court house in Troy, on Saturday, Feb. 20, 1875, to ascertain whether or not Bedford township shall subscribe \$55,000 to the capital stock of the St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk railroad company.

By order of the court.
WM. A. WOODSON, Clerk.

The *Clarksville Sentinel* and *Louisiana Press* think that we were humbugged into making the statement that hands were at work on the Mississippi Valley railroad, in Monroe township, a short time since. Hands were at work there at that time, but we have since learned that it was for the purpose of inspecting the grade in a certain place where trees had been felled and the timber covered up with dirt to form the grade. Our informant supposed they were resuming work on the road.

The poetic Bryan of the *Standard* says: "The blustery days of spring are marching onward, and the wind begins to sit on its hind legs and howl."

OBITUARY.

With feeling of the purest sympathy for the friends of the departed, we feel it our duty to render this last tribute of respect to the memory of our friend, Mr. John B. Reynolds, who departed this life on the morning of the 20th ult., at 1 o'clock, at his residence in this place, from an attack of pneumonia. Having been born in Troy, in June 1830, he was, at the time of his death, in the 45th year of his age, and one of the oldest native citizens of the village.

All the varying scenes of human life passed before him here. Childhood's joys, youth's ardent hopes, and manhood's cares and responsibilities, alike found him a resident of the town of his nativity. And though a man who did not appear to form any very strong attachments outside the circle of his own family, yet he was obliging to all with whom he had business transactions or social intercourse. Being honest, industrious and of strict veracity, always attending to his own affairs without interfering with the business of others, he died as he had lived, surrounded by friends and without a known enemy. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn their irreparable loss, who have the sympathy of the entire community, in this, their most sad bereavement. Though why grieve for the body slain, His spirit reigns with seraphim. He never can come to us again, But ah! how soon we'll go to him. W.

Dr. W. W. BIRKHEAD, DENTIST,
CLARKSVILLE, MO.,
Will visit Troy every two or three months, due notice of which visits will be given in the Herald.

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Will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. [p10v116]

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Will attend to any professional business in the courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit; also prosecuting attorney of the county and notary public. [p10v116]

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WARRENTON, MO.,
Also Notary Public and Real Estate Agent, will give special attention to collections, real estate practice, and the investigation of land titles. Office in clerk's building, west room. Satisfaction given or no charge made. [v10n23]